

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Original) An optical device, comprising;  
  
a plurality of optical modulators that respectively modulates a plurality of color lights in accordance with image information;  
  
a color-combining optical element that combines the respective color lights modulated by the optical modulators, the color-combining optical element being integrated with the optical modulators;  
  
a holding frame that holds that optical modulator and has an opening at a portion corresponding to an image formation area of the optical modulator; and  
  
a holder disposed between the holding frame and the color-combining optical element,  
  
wherein the holder includes a component having a thermal expansion coefficient lying midway between the thermal expansion coefficients of the holding frame and the color-combining optical element, and  
  
wherein the optical modulator is fixed on a side of the color-combining optical element through the holding frame and the holder.
2. (Original) The optical device according to claim 1, wherein the holder is a molded article obtained by molding a resin composition composed of a fiber filler and a resin.
3. (Original) The optical device according to claim 2, wherein the resin composition is 50 weight % or less of the fiber filler.
4. (Currently Amended) The optical device according to claim 1,  
  
wherein holes are formed in at ~~least~~least two parts of the holding frame, and

wherein the holder has a rectangular plate body having an opening at a position corresponding to the opening of the holding frame and a pin projecting from the rectangular plate body to be inserted to the hole of the holding frame.

5. (Currently Amended) The optical device according to claim 4, wherein a distal end of the pin is thinner ~~than~~ than the base end thereof.

6. (Original) The optical device according to claim 5, wherein the holding frame and the holder are fixed by a photo-curing adhesive.

7. (Original) The optical device according to claim 4, wherein a notch for absorbing a deformation result from a thermal stress applied on the rectangular plate body is formed on the rectangular plate body.

8. (Original) A projector, comprising:  
an optical device according to claim 1; and a projection lens for projecting an image formed by the optical device.

9. (Currently Amended) The optical device according to claim 2,  
wherein holes are formed in at ~~least~~ least two parts of the holding frame, and  
wherein the holder has a rectangular plate body having an opening at a position corresponding to the opening of the holding frame and a pin projecting from the rectangular plate body to be inserted to the hole of the holding frame.

10. (Currently Amended) The optical device according to claim 3,  
wherein holes are formed in at ~~least~~ least two parts of the holding frame, and  
wherein the holder has a rectangular plate body having an opening at a position corresponding to the opening of the holding frame and a pin projecting from the rectangular plate body to be inserted to the hole of the holding frame.

11. (Previously Presented) The optical device according to claim 5, wherein a notch for absorbing a deformation result from a thermal stress applied on the rectangular plate body is formed on the rectangular plate body.

12. (Previously Presented) The optical device according to claim 6, wherein a notch for absorbing a deformation result from a thermal stress applied on the rectangular plate body is formed on the rectangular plate body.

13. (Previously Presented) A projector, comprising:  
an optical device according to claim 2; and a projection lens for projecting an image formed by the optical device.

14. (Previously Presented) A projector, comprising:  
an optical device according to claim 3; and a projection lens for projecting an image formed by the optical device.

15. (Previously Presented) A projector, comprising:  
an optical device according to claim 4; and a projection lens for projecting an image formed by the optical device.

16. (Previously Presented) A projector, comprising:  
an optical device according to claim 5; and a projection lens for projecting an image formed by the optical device.

17. (Previously Presented) A projector, comprising:  
an optical device according to claim 6; and a projection lens for projecting an image formed by the optical device.

18. (Previously Presented) A projector, comprising:  
an optical device according to claim 7; and a projection lens for projecting an image formed by the optical device.